

## Appendix S1: Data Sources

Country: region/area	Data source (official name and brief description)
AUSTRIA	Vital statistics
BELGIUM: Flanders	Study Centre for Perinatal Epidemiology ( <b>SPE</b> )
CZECH REPUBLIC	Institute of Health Information and Statistics of the Czech Republic
ESTONIA	Estonian Medical Birth Register and Estonian Civil Registration.
FINLAND	Medical Birth Register
FRANCE (national survey)	French National Perinatal Surveys, one week survey of all births
GERMANY: Bavaria	Bavarian Regional Institute for Quality Assurance, BAQ, Munich
GERMANY: Hessen	Hesse Regional Institute of Quality Assurance, GQH, Eschborn
GERMANY: Lower Saxony	Lower Saxony Regional Institute of Quality Assurance, ZQ, Hannover
IRELAND	National Perinatal Reporting System (NPRS)
LITHUANIA	Medical data of Births*
MALTA	National Obstetrics Information System (NOIS)*
THE NETHERLANDS	The Netherlands Perinatal Registry
NORWAY	Medical Birth Registry of Norway, Database version 2010Q2
POLAND	Birth certificates
PORTUGAL	National Institute of Statistics
SLOVAKIA	Správa o novorodencovi Z (MZ SR)5-12*
SLOVENIA	NPIS: National perinatal System of Slovenia
SPAIN	Instituto Nacional de Estadística. (National Statistics Institute)
SWEDEN	Swedish Medical Birth Register
UK: SCOTLAND	SMR02 - Maternity Discharge Record

\* Hospital births only